

REMARKS

Claims 1-21 are pending in the present application.

The Examiner has required election in the present application between:

Group I, claims 1-10 and 21, drawn to a method for controlling the oscillation output of the laser for forming a cavity at an interior surface layer of a photosensitive material, classified in class 347, subclass 251; and

Group II, claims 11-20, drawn to a method for synchronizing the laser light beam with the conveyance of the photosensitive material, classified in class 347, subclass 248.

For the purpose of examination of the present application, Applicants elect Group I, claims 1-10 and 21. Applicants respectfully reserve the right to file a divisional application(s) for the non-elected claims.

Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number below, to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application.

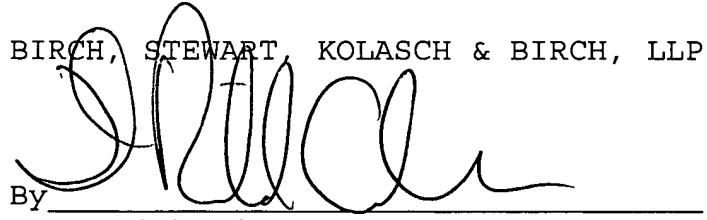
If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any

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overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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